1 ABSTRACT

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A telephone location system where a consumer can ask a service bureau to find the location of a particular mobile telephone possibly for a fee. The service bureau contacts the correct mobile service provider who locates the mobile telephone if possible using assisted GPS or any other location method and returns the location to the service bureau possibly for an access charge. The service bureau can return the telephone location to the consumer in a relational form or in terms of absolute coordinates (such as longitude and latitude). A total or partial privacy feature allows the mobile telephone to turn-off location to all but emergency services or people possessing an identification such as a PIN.